

**MINUTES
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**

JULY 13, 2015

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Mel Schaefer at 5:00 p.m. Members present were Keith Hemmesch, Matt Quade, Neil Herzberg, and Dave Peschong. Advisory members present were Ron Mergen, Public Works Director and Chuck DeWolf, Bolton & Menk, Inc.

Motion was made by Peschong to approve the minutes from the June 15, 2015 Public Works Committee meeting. Seconded by Herzberg and unanimously carried.

COMPREHENSIVE WATER REVIEW

DeWolf reviewed the water distribution system and stated that the City has added a loop to the north side of the river and added a 12" main on Business 23 from Hwy. 55 to Maple St. and a future loop will continue to Lake Ave. (another area that will need a larger diameter looped main is to Diekmann Dr.). This area has all 10" mains; however, is fed by 6" lines. Members discussed several options and future projects where the City may have the opportunity to complete a loop.

REGIONAL POND

DeWolf updated the Committee on the regional pond. The City has applied for this grant several times in the past; however, are optimistic the City will receive the grant this round. The estimated cost is \$225,000.00 and it is a 75% grant 25% local cost split. The drainage area was reviewed along with the pond and, it is being scheduled with the 2016 project. After a short discussion,

Motion was made by Peschong to submit the grant application and recommend such to the City Council. Seconded by Hemmesch and unanimously carried.

WATER PLANT REHAB

DeWolf reported that the controls, painting, and landscaping are the remaining items.

MPCA FORMER MID TOWN SERVICE STATION

It was reported that John Stein, MPCA will be at the next Council meeting to give a report and start the agreement process.

2016 STREET PROJECT

The public hearing is scheduled for July 27, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. after which staff will proceed with a design.

CITY SHOP – FUTURE PLANNING

Members reviewed the City shop property and the adjacent proposed purchase areas. It was noted that all these added up to 45,000 square feet. In order to accommodate the future needs staff had estimated the need of a minimum of 2 acres. It was suggested, at this time, that staff budget for the next five years, then bring it back to the Committee. Also discussed was utilizing the Fire Hall if they construct a new building.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.